

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/940,591	SAKAI ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Kevin L McHenry	1725	

All Participants:

Status of Application: Allowed

(1) Kevin L McHenry, examiner.

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(2) Melanie Mealy, applicant's representative.

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Date of Interview: 17 February 2004

Time: 1:00 pm

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

none

Claims discussed:

2, 4, 5, and 7-13

Prior art documents discussed:

Lesieur et al. (U.S.P. 6,129,835) and Lesieur et al. (U.S.P. 6,454,935)

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.

☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The examiner indicated that claims 2-7 were allowable except for minor informalities. The examiner indicated that claim 1 was rejectable under U.S.P. 6,129,835 or U.S.P. 6,454,935. Agreement was reached to cancel claim 1, amend claims 2, 4, 5, and 7 to overcome informalities, and to add claims 8-13 to encompass the further embodiments of the invention.